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SUBJECT: ATTEMPTED WALK-IN (MIKHAIL ALEKSANDROVICH
ALEKSANDROV)

1. CONGEN RECENTLY RECEIVED NOTE (NO. 48) FROM THE DIPLOMATIC AGENCY OF THE MFA IN LENINGRAD CONCERNING INCIDENT INVOLVING SOVIET CITIZEN MIKHAIL A. ALEKSANDROV. NOTE INFORMS CONGEN OF ATTEMPTS BY ALEKSANDROV ON MARCH 16 AND 19 TO GAIN ACCESS TO CONGEN, AND ACCURATELY DESCRIBES EVENTS. NOTE ALLEGES THAT INTRUDER IS MENTAL PATIENT AND GRATUITOUSLY URGES CONGEN TO ADOPT PRACTICE OF CLOSING CARRIAGE-WAY GATES AT NIGHT TO FURTHER SAFEGUARD AGAINST SIMILAR EVENTS IN THE FUTURE.

2. FACTS OF ALEKSANDROV INCIDENT FOLLOW:

AT APPROXIMATELY 2000 MARCH 19 CONGEN MARINE SECURITY GUARD CALLED POST DUTY OFFICER TO DEAL WITH SOVIET WHO HAD SUCCESSFULLY RUSHED MILITIA POST AND GOTTEN INTO CONGEN BACK COURTYARD. INTRUDER'S PASSPORT SHOWED HIM TO BE MIKHAIL ALEKSANDROVICH ALEKSANDROV BORN [Sensitive Information Removed Per NARA 06 DEC 2014], HE SHOWED EVIDENCE DURING HIS BRIEF STAY IN CONGEN BOTH OF MENTAL INSTABILITY AND
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POLITICAL DISAFFECTION. HE TOLD CONGENOFFS HE SOUGHT FIRST, MEDICINE TO RELIEVE PAIN REPORTEDLY CAUSED BY INJURY TO HIS EYES, AND SECOND, TO SEEK ADVICE ON HOW TO LEAVE THE SOVIET UNION TO OBTAIN MEDICAL HELP. ALEKSANDROV SAID HE HAD BEEN A PATIENT IN A PSYCHIATRIC HOSPITAL AND THAT HE FEARED HE WOULD BE RETURNED THERE UPON DEPARTURE FROM CONGEN. CONGENOFFS INFORMED HIM

THERE WAS NO MEDICATION SUCH AS HE REQUESTED ON HAND AND THAT HE MUST APPLY TO OVIR FOR PERMISSION TO TRAVEL ABROAD FOR MEDICAL TREATMENT. ALEKSANDROV LEFT BEHIND SOME FEW WRITINGS, MOSTLY IN VERSE ON THE THEME OF POLITICAL DISAFFECTION.

3. DIPLOMATIC AGENCY NOTE ON ALEKSANDROV POUCHED DEPARTMENT.

4. IN POSSIBLE SEQUAL TO FOREGOING, ON 13 APRIL MSG REPORTED A DISTURBANCE AT MILITIA BOOTH AT CONGEN ENTRANCE. AN UNKNOWN INDIVIDUAL WAS TAKEN BY SOVIET MILITIAMAN INTO AN ADJACENT BUILDING. SUBSEQUENT ACTIVITY ON THE PART OF SOVIET AUTHORITIES, INCLUDING THE ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE TWICE OF A BLACK VOLGA, AN AMBULANCE AND SEVERAL PERSONS BETRAYED AN UNUSUAL OCCURENCE. WHEN QUESTIONED, SOVIET MILITIAMAN REPLIED THAT A DRUNK HAD TRIED TO ENTER CONGEN AND HAD BEEN TOLD TO GO HOME.

5. COMMENT: WE HAVE NO INTENTION OF FOLLOWING ADVICE IN DIP AGENCY NOTE OF LOCKING CARRIAGE-WAY GATES AT NIGHT. WE ALREADY FEEL MORE THAN SUFFICIENTLY "PROTECTED" FROM THE SOVIET PUBLIC. WE DO NOT INTEND TO RESPOND TO THE DIP AGENCY'S NOTE ON ALEKSANDROV. BUCHANAN

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